

City of Memphis Alcohol Commission Meeting Minutes November 3, 2021

- I. Call to Order The regularly scheduled meeting of the Alcohol Commission was called to order at approximately 9:03 a.m. by Sergeant-at-Arms Officer Gerald Lake.
- II. Roll Call The following Commissioners were present: Claudette Boyd, Barry Chase, Chad Hampton, Jared Johnson, Steven Reid and Anna Vergos Blair. The following Commissioners were not present: Erma Hayslett, Renee Poe and Johnsie Wallace Gault.
- III. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting (October 20, 2021) The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed electronically prior to today's meeting. Commissioner Boyd moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion passed.

IV. Special Beer Applicant(s)

1. Matthew Martin - 405 North Cleveland Street - "Movie Night at Lodge"

Date(s): November 5, 2021 – November 19, 2021 (Every Friday)

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

Rain Date: November 6, 2021 – November 20, 2021 (Every Saturday)

Sponsoring Organization: Black Lodge Purpose of funds: For Profit; 1 booth(s)

Mr. Martin was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, Commissioner Reid moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed. The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T24550)

(Account #12+330)

2. Matthew Martin - 405 North Cleveland Street - "Movie Night at Lodge"

Date(s): November 26 – December 24, 2021 (Every Friday)

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

Rain Date: November 27 – December 25, 2021 (Every Saturday)

Sponsoring Organization: Black Lodge Purpose of funds: For Profit; 1 booth(s)

Mr. Martin was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, Commissioner Reid moved to approve the special beer application. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed. The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T24550)

3. Mario Hogue – 2101 Madison Avenue – "Whiskey Warmer"

Date(s): November 12, 2021 Time: 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Memphis Flyer

Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)

Mr. Hogue was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Reid moved to approve the special beer application*. *Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed*. The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T26640)

4. William Sehnert - Martyrs Park - "Peer Power Race"

Date(s): November 6, 2021 Time: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Rain Date: N/A

Sponsoring Organization: Peer Power Foundation

Purpose of funds: Non for Profit; 1 booth(s)

Mr. Sehnert was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Reid moved to approve the special beer application*. *Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T26658)

5. Jose Rodriguez – 4835 American Way – "Rodeo Event Center Series"

Date(s): November 5, 2021 - November 30, 2021

Time: 8:00 p.m. - 3:00 a.m.

Sponsoring Organization: Rodeo Event Center Series

Purpose of funds: For Profit; 2 booth(s)

Mr. Rodriguez was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Reid moved to approve the special beer application*. *Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed*. The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.

(Account #T17004)

Violations:

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C5, D4 (WITH) priors:

6. Sadik Abdi – 886 East Raines Road – dba – "Fast Check" – Citation(s) #908735

Date of Violation(s): April 1, 2021 Date Permit Approved: July 2, 2003

Prior Violation(s): July 13, 2018 (C5, D4) Officer(s): Grandberry #1978, Gillard #1976

Mr. Abdi was present and stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to fine the location \$750.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Abdi agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #BR1685)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C4, C5 (WITH) priors:

7. Ajit Varma - 5915 East Raines Road - A & A Stores, Inc. - dba - "Raines In & Out" -

Citation(s) #OS394131

Date of Violation(s): April 11, 2021 Date Permit Approved: July 5, 2017

Prior Violation: December 26, 2018 (C4, C5, D4)

Officer(s): Ward #0502, Langham #0400

The manager was present for this location, but did not have Power of Attorney.

Commissioner Reid moved to continue this location to the November 17, 2021 meeting.

Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T14157)

8. Hlall Nasser – 5925 East Shelby Drive – Shelby Food Center, Inc. #1 – dba – "Shelby Food Center, Inc. #1" – Citation(s) #OS402340

Date of Violation(s): April 11, 2021 Date Permit Approved: May 15, 2019

Prior Violation: February 20, 2020 (C1, C5, D4)

Officer(s): Mosby #5668, Smith #8636

Attorney Campbell was present and asked for a continuance. Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to continue this location to the November 17, 2021 Alcohol Commission meeting. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T21105)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C1 (WITH) priors:

9. Amatulla Aldafari – 4228 Eastwind Drive – dba – "T & A Market" – Citation(s) #OS396902

Date of Violation(s): April 1, 2021 Date Permit Approved: October 20, 2010

Prior Violation(s): September 14, 2018 (C4, C5, D4)

Officer(s): Grandberry #1978, Gillard #1976

No one appeared to represent this location. *Commissioner Chase moved to indefinitely suspend the beer permit. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.* (Account #BR4011)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C4, C5, D4 (NO) priors:

10. Mohammad Ershadullah – 4150 Millbranch Road – AE Food & Fuel Enterprise, Inc. – dba – "Millbranch Food Mart" – Citation(s) #908734, #OS396901

Date of Violation(s): April 1, 2021 Date Permit Approved: January 20, 2021 Officer(s): Gillard #1976, Grandberry #1978

Mr. Ershadullah and Attorney John Parker were present and did not stipulate to the charge. Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to fine the location \$750.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion failed. Chairman Johnson asked for a roll call: Commissioners Boyd, Hampton and Reid voted against the motion. Commissioners Chase, Johnson and Vergos Blair voted for the motion. Commissioner Reid moved to fine the location \$1,300.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion failed. Chairman Johnson asked for a roll call: Commissioners Boyd, Hampton and Reid voted for the motion. Commissioners Chase, Johnson and Vergos Blair voted against the motion. Commissioner Reid then moved for a 30 day suspension of the beer permit. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion failed. Chairman Johnson asked for a roll call: Commissioners Boyd, Hampton and Reid voted for the motion. Commissioners Chase, Johnson and Vergos Blair voted against the motion. Commissioner Reid moved to place this item as the last to be heard on the agenda. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Ershadullah and Attorney John Parker stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to fine the location \$750.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Ershadullah and his attorney agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T25028)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C4, C5 (NO) priors:

11. Mohammad Gazi, MD Islam and Syed Hossain – 443 East Shelby Drive – B V Enterprise, Inc. – dba – "Shelby Food Mart" – Citation(s) #909050, #OS396906

Date of Violation(s): April 1, 2021 Date Permit Approved: December 7, 2016

Officer(s): Ward #0502

Mr. Gazi was present and stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to fine the location \$500.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Gazi agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T12583)

12. Dhruvkumar Patel – 6434 East Shelby Drive – Vidhi Patel, Inc. – dba – "All In One Shelby Drive" – Citation(s) #OS402341

Date of Violation(s): April 11, 2021 Date Permit Approved: May 6, 2020 Officer(s): Mosby #5668, Smith #8636

No one appeared to represent this location. Commissioner Chase moved to indefinitely suspend the beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T23909)

13. Muhammad Shah and Razia Sultana – 5930 Winchester Road – Marks Investment, LLC – dba – "R & M Store" – Citation(s) #OS394132

Date of Violation(s): April 11, 2021 Date Permit Approved: May 5, 2021 Officer(s): Ward #0502, Langham #0400

Mr. Shah was present and stipulated to the charge. Commissioner Vergos Blair moved to fine the location \$500.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Shah agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T25178)

V. The Following Person(s) has Applied to Sell Beer for "ON" Premise Consumption:

14. Robert Myers – 6385 Winchester Road – dba – "Perignons Restaurant"

Mr. Myers was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, Commissioner Reid moved to approve the beer permit application.

Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T25229)

15. Javier Sanchez & Christian Ramirez (POA) – 5959 Winchester Road, Suite 7 – Las Carinosas, LLC – dba – "Las Carinosas"

Mr. Sanchez and Mr. Ramirez were present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, Commissioner Reid moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed. (Account #T26637)

The Following Person(s) has Applied to Sell Beer for "OFF" Premise Consumption:

16. MD Haque, Abdullah Mamun, MD Hossain, MD Khalil, Kabir Sarkar and Tangida Shova – 3492 Covington Pike – Covington Pike Enterprise, Inc. – dba – "Covington Food Mart"

VI.

The applicant was not present. Commissioner Chase moved to continue this location to the November 17, 2021 Alcohol Commission meeting. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T26464)

17. Fahmi Mubarez – 1351 Madison Avenue – Snappy Food Mart, LLC – dba – "Snappy Food Mart"

Mr. Mubarez was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, Commissioner Reid moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T26343)

18. Mohammad Khair, Mohammad Uddin, Mohammad Hossain, MD Rashid, Mohammad Razzak and Tarek Islam – 3834 South Mendenhall Road – Dallas Enterprise, Inc. – dba – "BD Food Mart"

Mr. Hossain was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, Commissioner Reid moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Vergos Blair seconded. The motion passed.

(Account #T26587)

19. Muneer Alomari – 3990 Thomas Street – Moses Grocery, LLC – dba – "Moses Grocery" Mr. Alomari was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, Commissioner Reid moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Hampton seconded. The motion passed. (Account #T26347)

VII. The Following Person(s) has Applied to Sell Beer for "OFF < 10%" Premise Consumption:

20. Shaundra Fields – 505 East Olive Avenue – dba – "Olive Grocery & Market" Ms. Fields was present. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Reid moved to approve the beer permit application. Commissioner Boyd seconded. The motion passed.* (Account #T25840)

VIII. New Business

IX. Old Business

X. Adjournment – There being no further business to come before the commission, Commissioner Reid moved for adjournment at approximately 10:51 a.m. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.

Jared Johnson, Chartman

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Date

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